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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): EBRINGER, ALAN Atty. Docket: 78104.040
Title: DIAGNOSIS OF DEMYELINATING OR SPONGIFORM
DISEASE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (37 CFR §1.121)

Box: New Patent Application with Non-Fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

To the Commissioner:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of the above-referenced application on the merits, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph spanning page 2, line 26, to page 3, line 2, and insert in its place the following paragraph:

--The test antigen used in the above defined method and diagnostic kit may be a peptide component of the myelin or neurofilaments, such as one of the following peptides having Sequence ID Nos 1-7, namely,

1. NEALEK (SEQ. ID. NO: 1) 2. LKKVHEE (SEQ. ID. NO: 2)
3. EALEKQL (SEQ. ID. NO: 3) 4. ELEDKQN (SEQ. ID. NO: 4)
5. KKVHEE (SEQ. ID. NO: 5) 6. EIRDLR (SEQ. ID. NO: 6)
7. EQEIRDLR (SEQ. ID. NO: 7)

The above sequences have been retrieved from the Protein Information Resource database release 44.